

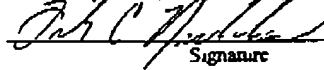
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Case No. GP-302115  
(2760/56)

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:

JEFFREY M. STEFAN ET AL.

Serial No.: 10/082,912

Filed: FEBRUARY 26, 2002

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
PURCHASING AND  
REPLENISHING WIRELESS  
NETWORK CALLING TIME

Examiner: GARY, ERIKA A.

Group Art Unit: 2681

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 27, 2004

Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Office action dated August 27, 2004. Claims 1-12 are  
currently under examination.

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

The present amendment replies to a non-final Office action dated August 27, 2004. Claims 1-12 are currently pending in the present application.

In the Office action, Examiner Gary asserted the following rejection:

**Claims 1-12 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Kiel et al. (2003/0027549).**

Applicants respond to the rejection as subsequently recited herein and respectfully request reconsideration and further examination of the present application under 37 CFR §1.111.